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US PERMREP INFORMED NAC OF MEASURES US WILL TAKE NEXT  
WEEK REGARDING SHIPPING TO CUBA (NUMBERED POINTS ONE THROUGH  
FOUR REFTEL). POINTED OUT STATEMENTS TO COUNCIL  
SEPTEMBER 5 AND 19 HAD STRESSED GREAT SERIOUSNESS WITH  
WHICH USG AND AMERICAN PEOPLE VIEWED CUBAN PROBLEM IN  
GENERAL AND FREE WORLD SHIPPING TO CUBA IN PARTICULAR.  
SAID PROPOSED ACTIONS REFLECT GOVERNMENT'S AND PEOPLE'S  
VIEWS OF GRAVITY OF SHIPPING PROBLEM AND THAT IT WOULD  
BE CLEAR FROM THESE ACTIONS US INTENDS MAKE SOVIET  
BUILD-UP CUBA DIFFICULT AS POSSIBLE. US PERMREP POINTED  
OUT WE HAVE DEMONSTRATED OVER COURSE LAST SIX MONTHS AND  
PARTICULARLY DURING LAST MONTH THAT WE WISH TAKE INTO  
ACCOUNT ALLIES VIEWS ON CUBA. RE PROBLEM OF SHIPPING  
TO CUBA WE CONSIDER POSITIVE STEPS NOW REQUIRED. SAID  
SECRETARY NOW DISCUSSING THESE PLANNED MEASURES WITH  
OAS FOREIGN MINISTERS WASHINGTON.

US PERMREP SAID US RECOGNIZES THESE MEASURES MAY CAUSE  
SOME PROBLEMS FOR SHIPPING COMPANIES IN CERTAIN NATO  
COUNTRIES, BUT THAT US HOPES NATO GOVERNMENTS WILL BE  
ABLE PERSUADE COMPANIES MAKE NECESSARY ADJUSTMENTS.  
SAID RE SECOND OF PROPOSED MEASURES US WILL TAKE ACCOUNT

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EXISTING CHARTERS AND THAT THERE WILL BE SOME "PHASING IN" ON OTHER POINTS.

PERMREPS TOOK CLOSE NOTES WHILE PERMREP SPOKE BUT RESPONSE TO US STATEMENT OF COURSE QUITE LIMITED. [DANISH AND GREEK PERMREPS TOOK THIS OCCASION REPORT THEIR GOVERNMENTS HAD DESCRIBED TO THEIR SHIP OWNERS CONSEQUENCES OF ENGAGING CUBAN TRADE.]

ONLY NORWAY SPOKE DIRECTLY TO US STATEMENT. NORWEGIAN PERMREP SAID STATEMENT AS HE HAD UNDERSTOOD IT INDICATED US DEFINITELY INTENDED TAKE MEASURES DESCRIBED, AND ASKED WHETHER THEIR ADOPTION WAS NOT STILL CONTINGENT ON DISCUSSION WITH OTHERS, INCLUDING DISCUSSIONS SECRETARY WAS HAVING WITH OAS MEMBERS.]

US PERMREP REPLIED US DEFINITELY INTENDS TAKE THE MEASURES DESCRIBED.

[NORWEGIAN PERMREP THEN REFERRED TO THAT PART OF US STATEMENT RECOGNIZING THESE MEASURES MAY CAUSE SOME PROBLEMS FOR SHIPOWNERS IN CERTAIN NATO COUNTRIES. SAID PROBLEM WAS NOT ONLY ONE FOR SHIPOWNERS BUT ALSO FOR GOVERNMENTS. SAID THESE WERE GRAVE MEASURES WHICH WOULD AFFECT WORLD-WIDE SHIPPING PATTERNS. CONSEQUENTLY NORWAY WOULD HAVE TO RESERVE POSITION THESE QUESTIONS.]

AFTER MEETING USRO CIRCULATED US PERMREP'S STATEMENT TO OTHER DELEGATES.

REFTTEL DOES NOT SHOW EMBASSY OSLO AS ADDRESSEE. IF REFTTEL NOT ALREADY SENT OSLO SUGGEST IT BE REPEATED SOONEST.

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